

TENDENCY IS TO COMBINE

Judge Knapp Says Mammoth Trusts Will Arise, and Counsel Regulation.

PHILADELPHIA, May 11.—Martin A. Knapp, president judge of the federal Commerce Court, made a speech last night at the annual meeting of the Law Academy of Philadelphia in the Historical Society's building, prophesying that eventually big corporations will absorb all the industries. He gave it as his opinion that combination and regulation is the only solution of the complex problems which modern transportation of persons and freight had brought upon the commercial field.

He declared that in his interpretation of the signs of the times prohibitory legislation, whether state or national, against combinations and unions of big business would not avail to stop the ultimate federation of all industrial movements. In spots his address was strongly suggestive of modified socialism.

Fulton the Pioneer.

Judge Knapp said in part: "Nothing new in motive power happened from the days of Abraham until Fulton tried out his little steamboat on the Hudson. Then the new system of transportation vastly influenced the direction and volume of commerce, the division of labor and the social and industrial habits of the world. The closer contact opened the way for world-wide brotherhood."

"Industrial competition used to be thought necessary, but as the area of distribution enlarged competition increased by a geometrical proportion, and the rivalry of products, the stress and strain of labor, became constant. How soon will they become unbearable? "New methods must be adapted to deal with the friction. Co-ordination of effort is the only possible way. When the methods of conveyance and intercourse are brought to still higher perfection, when cost is reduced and speed doubled, and the density of population here becomes as it is in England, an industrial competition possibly endure?"

Tendency to Combine.

"The opportunity and inducement to combine are to me the obvious tendency of the industrial and social movements of the world. How fast this idea will move it is hard to say. Remedies will be sought in profit-sharing enterprises, in increasing the functions of government, in the relations between employers and their wage-earners. The outcome will be a centralized control of management. "Competition in trade does not fit in this world of wireless and progress. It may have served its purpose in the days of the spinning wheel and the hand loom, but now every sweatshop, every half-paid man or woman, every starving child, is a regulation of its principle. If all civilization has done for us is to make every man for himself, then, I think, progress is a mere illusion. I am not terrified by the cry of paternalism or of monopoly. The trust and the labor union, products of the railroad, are here to stay. Nothing can stop the growth of industrial federation."

Vital Need of the Hour.

"Controversies will always spring up among men, and between employers and their employed especially, no matter how fair-minded they may be. Society has devised the judicial system to settle these disputes, but not the slightest attempt is made to restore good fellowship after the legal rights of a question are decided. Here is a vital need for which we have no adequate remedy. "The integrity of our institutions is threatened. While I don't deprecate the anti-trust laws, the continual use will not do the work we desire to consummate. What we want is an old-fashioned revival of humanity, a little more robust integrity to get universal brotherhood, and I feel it is the privilege and duty of the American lawyer to aid in the success of this undertaking."

Lewis H. Van Dusen, president of the academy, made the introductory address. Judge Knapp was a guest at a private dinner at the Union League preceding his address.

WARSHIPS WILL HAVE FOUR GUNS TO TURRET

France's Two New Naval Vessels to Be of Novel Type, It Is Said.

Special Cablegram to The Star.

PARIS, May 11.—The two battleships that are to be built down for the French navy next year under the recently adopted organic law will be of a novel type. Although the precise details have not yet been settled, it is certain that at least a part, and perhaps the whole, of the heavy gun armament will be mounted in turrets containing four guns each.

The three-gun turret has already been adopted in several foreign fleets, notably the American, Russian, Italian and Austrian, but the French ships will be the first to have four guns in a turret. "There are three designs before the ministry of marine. The first provides for the mounting of twelve 18.4-inch guns in three four-gun turrets; the second for the same number of guns in four turrets, two containing four and two two guns, and the third for an armament of no fewer than sixteen twelve-inch guns, which would be mounted in four turrets on the middle line."

None More Than Ten Guns.

So far, no British warship has been designed to carry more than ten guns. The majority of foreign dreadnought battleships are armed with twelve, and Italy has gone a step further and is building five dreadnoughts, to carry thirteen twelve-inch guns apiece, nine being in triple and four in twin turrets.

The record in this respect is held for the moment by the Brazilian battleship Rio de Janeiro, which is under construction at Newcastle, and which is to carry fourteen twelve-inch guns.

A single turret containing four 18.4-inch guns would fire a weight of metal of 5,328 pounds, or only 1,500 pounds less than the weight of the whole broadside of the dreadnought.

It will be seen that the general tendency is to revert to the British standard of ten heavy guns, all bearing on the beam. In next year's French ships, however, at least twelve guns will be mounted, all available for broadside fire.

NEW HEAD FOR GRAND TRUNK.

Chairman of Directors to Select Successor to Charles M. Hays.

LONDON, May 11.—Alfred W. Smithers, chairman of the board of directors of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, left here today to sail on board the steamer Mauretania from Liverpool for New York. It is his intention to select a successor to Charles M. Hays, who was a victim of the Titanic disaster, as president of the company before he returns to England.

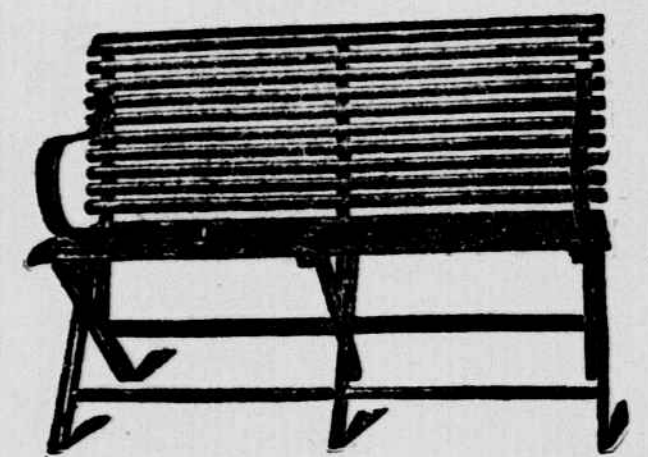
He said this morning: "I selected Charles M. Hays and if my next choice is equally successful I shall be abundantly satisfied."

Sir Donald D. Mann, vice president of the Canadian Northern, the Canadian Northern Ontario and the Halifax and Southwestern railways, accompanied Mr. Smithers. He declined to discuss the report that it was possible he would be the successor to the late Mr. Hays as president of the Grand Trunk railway.

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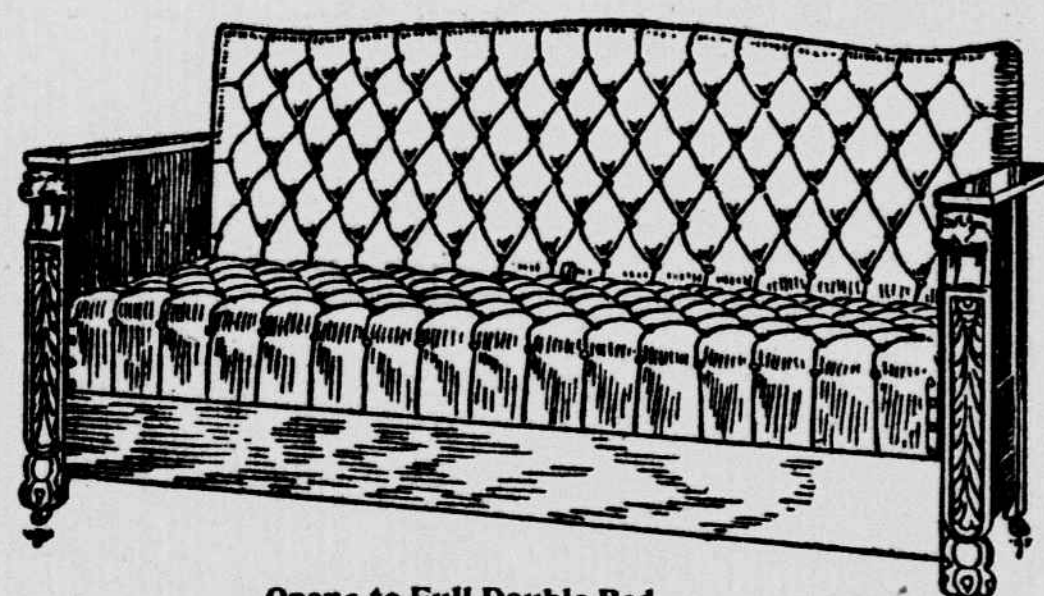
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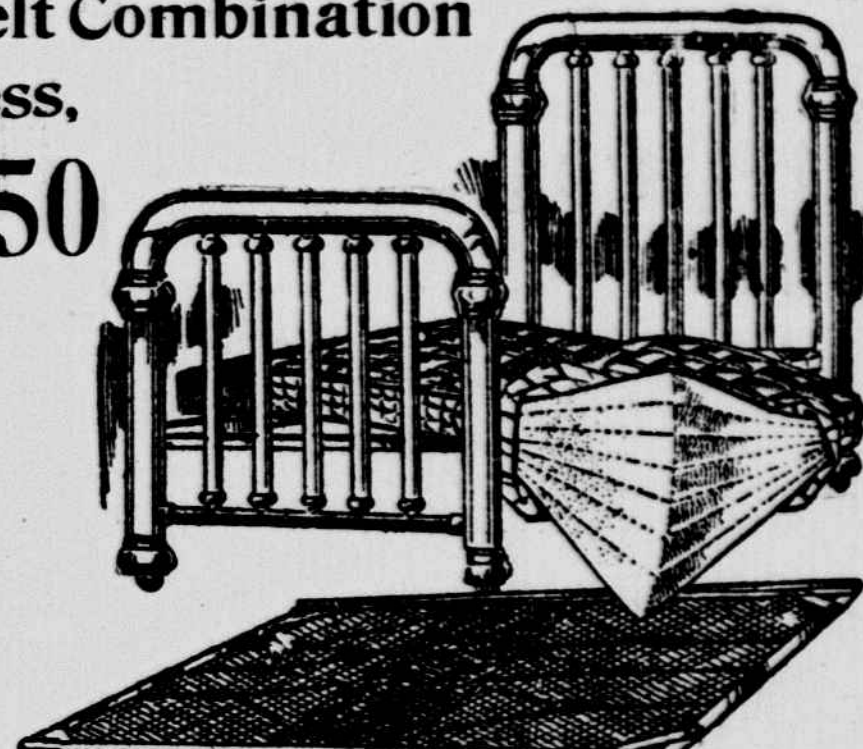


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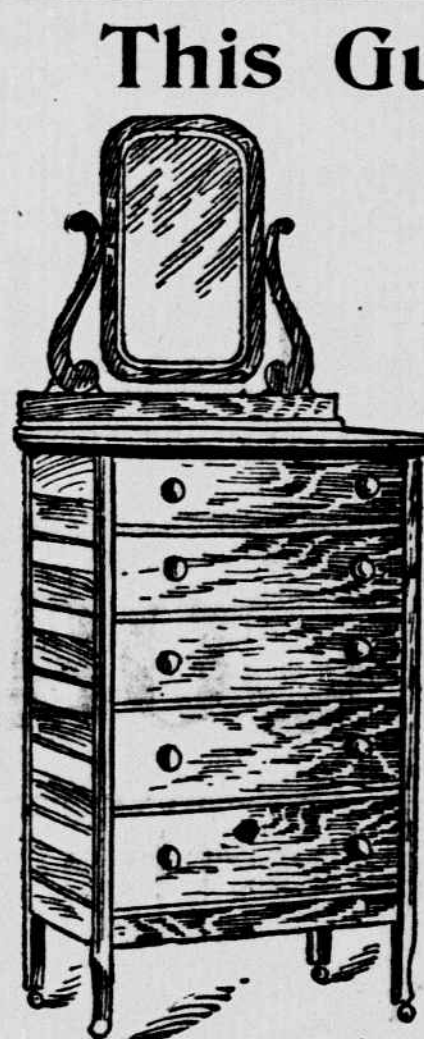
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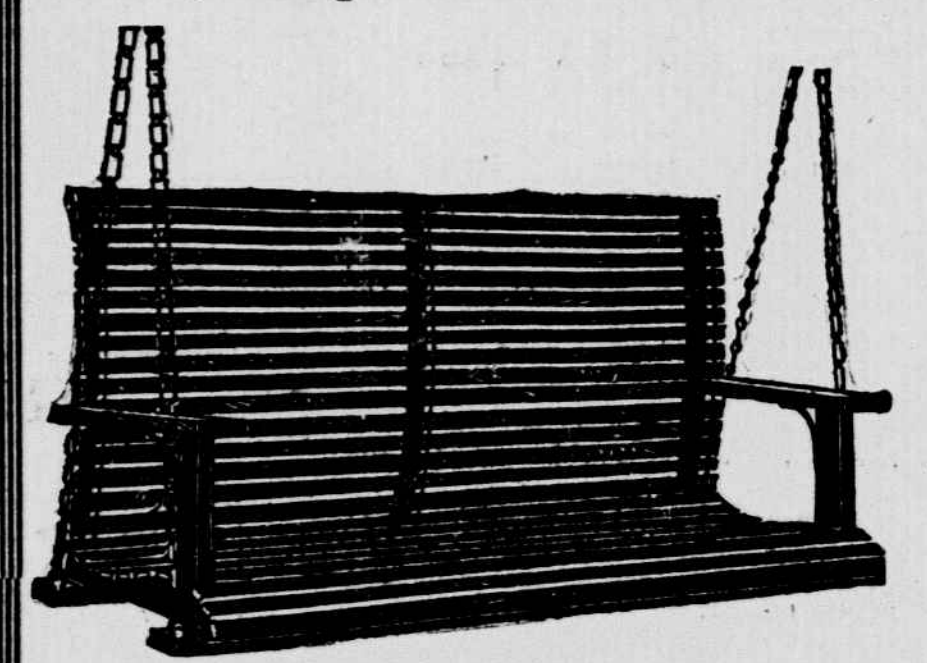
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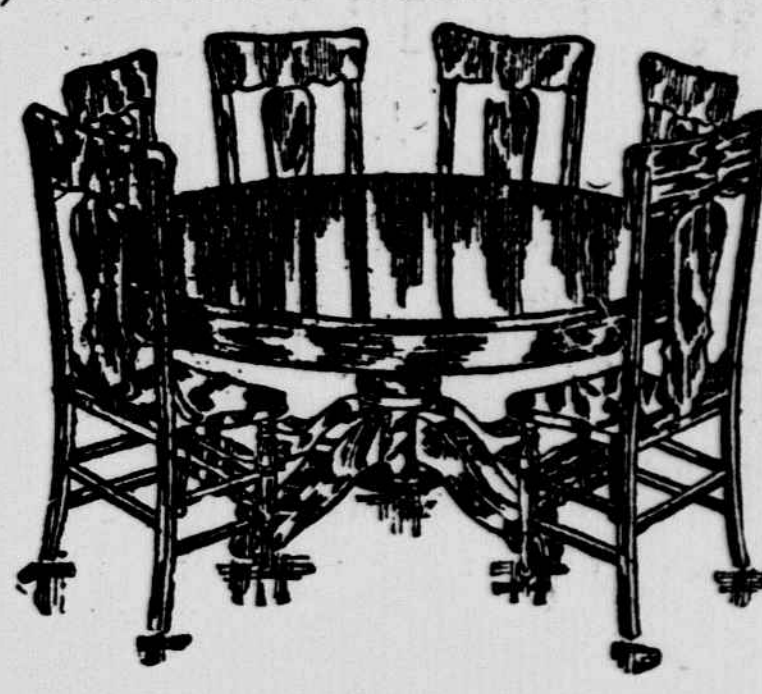
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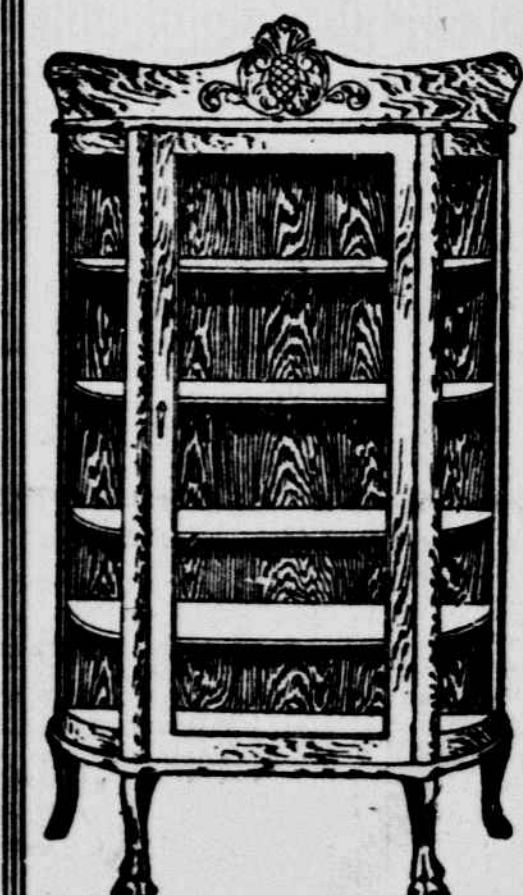
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